

Delaware Division of the Arts Announces the “Award Winners XVI” Exhibition at the Biggs Museum of American Art



DELAWARE DIVISION OF THE ARTS ANNOUNCES THE “AWARD WINNERS XVI” EXHIBITION AT THE BIGGS MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART

Each year, the Biggs Museum of American Art, in partnership with the Delaware Division of the Arts, exhibits the work of Delaware’s Individual Artist Fellows. The *Award Winners XVI* exhibition, on view August 5 through October 23, recognizes the Fellows’ combined artistic accomplishments.

This year, the Division will recognize sixteen Delaware artists for the high quality of their artwork at the *Award Winners XVI* Reception and Award Ceremony on Saturday, October 1 from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. This reception is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.

The Division offers fellowships in the artistic disciplines of choreography, folk art, jazz, literature, media arts, music, and visual arts. Artists’ work samples are reviewed by nationally recognized out-of-state arts professionals, considering both demonstrated creativity and skill in the art form.

The awards—\$3,000 for Emerging Artists, \$6,000 for Established Professionals, and \$10,000 for Masters—allow artists to pursue advanced training, purchase equipment and materials, or fulfill other needs that will help advance their careers.

The highest honor—the Masters Fellow—is reserved for those who meet rigorous criteria. Only one Masters Fellow can be awarded each year, and the disciplines rotate every three years.

To apply for the 2017 Individual Artist Fellowship, please visit www.artsdel.org/grants. Applications are due Monday, August 1 by 4:30 p.m.

2016 INDIVIDUAL ARTIST FELLOWS

Masters Award (\$10,000)

Ramona DeFelice Long, Newark, Literature: Fiction

Established Professional Award (\$6,000)

Siobhan Carroll, Greenville, Literature: Fiction

Lisa Dill, Wilmington, Literature: Creative Nonfiction

Diane Lorio, Dover, Visual Arts: Painting

Ron Meick, Wilmington, Visual Arts: Works on Paper

Joshua Meier, Middletown, Visual Arts: Photography

Abby Millager, Newark, Literature: Playwriting

Kiandra Parks, Wilmington, Media Arts: Video/Film

Maggie Rowe, Newark, Literature: Poetry

Phillip Scarpone, Wilmington, Visual Arts: Sculpture

Bruce Tychinski, Newark, Music: Solo Recital

Emerging Professional Award (\$3,000)

J. Barbagallo, Claymont, Literature: Fiction

Linda Celestian, Wilmington, Visual Arts: Painting

Sherry Gage Chappelle, Rehoboth Beach, Literature: Poetry

Victor Letonoff, Lewes, Literature: Creative Nonfiction

Žaneta Zubkova, Wilmington, Visual Arts: Works on Paper

Learn more about this year's Individual Artist Fellows [here](#).

About the Delaware Division of the Arts

The [Delaware Division of the Arts](#) is an agency of the State of Delaware. Together with its advisory body, the Delaware State Arts Council, the Division administers grants and programs that support arts programming, educate the public, increase awareness of the arts, and integrate the arts into all facets of Delaware life. Funding for Division programs is provided by annual appropriations from the Delaware General Assembly and grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency. For more information about the Delaware Division of the Arts, visit artsdel.org or call 302-577-8278.

Contact: Leeann WalleTT, Program Officer, Communications and
Marketing

302-577-8280, leeann.walleTT@delaware.gov

###